REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Each of claims 1-89 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as allegedly being anticipated by Hussaini. In response, the claims are amended herein to better emphasize their patentable distinctions.

As best understood, the Examiner's interpretation is that Hussaini shows certain ranges of data, all being shown with the same height. For example, figure 2 shows that more than one item of data can be stored within the same level indicator. To the extent that this is correct, it has been obviated by the amendment of the claims that are made herein. Specifically, claim 1 defines that each of the multiple parameters has a nominal range within which the parameter does not represent an alarm condition. Values outside the nominal range represent alarms. Claim 1 has also been amended to define that all parameters that are within the nominal range are displayed with the same height as all other parameters that are in their own respective nominal range.

Even assuming that Hussaini displays multiple nominal-valued parameters at the same height, it certainly does not display all of the nominal valued parameters of the same height.

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In fact, this is apparent from page 653, in the line bridging
the left to right column which states that "the bar level shows
the current value, and the bar color changes to show alarms
status when a specified level is reached". This means that
different levels of the bar must all still be within the nominal
range. There must be at least multiple different levels within
the nominal range.

What this means, however, is that multiple values that are
commonly displayed on the same scale will each have a range of
different heights of nominal values. For example, in figure 2,
it appears that the bottom three parts of the graph each
represent values that are within the nominal value. Only when
it goes above that bottom three parts does it change to alarm
status. However, this means that values in multiple different
heights must necessarily each represent nominal-valued
parameters. This means that even in the display with all
parameters that are valued nominally, the heights will vary.

Compare this to the definition of claim 1, in which each
and every parameter that is within a nominal range, each have a
tower with the nominal same height as all the other parameters.
Even if there are 10,000 parameters on the display, then it is
easy to see which of those parameters are nominal and which are
not. All of those parameters that are within the nominal range

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are displayed with the same height. The ones that are not within the nominal range are displayed with the different height. This facilitates determining which parameters are in alarm, especially among a large number of different parameters.

This is not in any way taught or suggested by the cited prior art, and should hence be allowable thereover.

Claim 58 has been amended in a similar way, and should be allowable for similar reasons, as it defines the nominal range, and defines that all parameters within the nominal range are displayed the same way. This is in no way taught or suggested by the cited prior art. Therefore, claim 4 should also be allowable along with the claims which depend therefrom.

Claim 29 has been amended in a similar way, and should be allowable for reasons discussed above.

Claim 30 should similarly be allowable. Claim 30 defines allowing the parameters that are displayed in the prominent way to be moved into a different location. This is further patentable over Hussaini. The rejection alleges that Hussaini's statement that the characteristics can be programmable to make it flexible is respectfully suggested to read much more into the document than is actually there. Claim 30 defines that all of the parameters that are displayed in the prominent way, can all be moved to a special location. This again facilitates

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investigating for parameters in alarm; since all the alarm parameters are all in the special location, it makes it much easier to see which parameters outside that special location are in alarm. Hussaini teaches absolutely nothing about this.

Claim 41 should be allowable for similar reasons.

Claim 56 has been similarly amended and should also be allowable for similar reasons.

Claim 67 has been amended to include similar subject matter, and should be allowable for reasons discussed above. In addition, however, claim 67 defines rate of change which is nowhere taught or suggested by the cited prior art.

Claims 80-82 have been canceled to obviate the rejections thereto.

Claim 83 has been amended to include limitations which are comparable to those discussed above and should be allowable for reasons discussed above.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, therefore, all of the claims should be in condition for allowance. A formal notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition,

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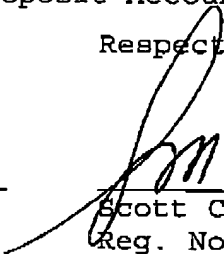Reply to Office Action dated
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because the arguments made above are not intended to be

exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all

pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed.

Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an

intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as

specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any

claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability

of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply

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